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# WIKY, other stations to be sold

■ South Central CEO: Transition to be 'seamless' for employees

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WIKY-104.1 FM, a mainstay of local radio in Evansville for more than 60 years, is being sold. The station, as well as

eight others in the South Central Communications family, will become part of Midwest Communications, a Green Bay, Wisconsin-based company. The companies announced the deal Wednesday afternoon.

Terms of the sale have not been disclosed. The deal is expected to close in late August or early September, pending approval from the Federal Communications Commission.

In Evansville, South Central stations include

WIKY, WSTO-96.1FM, WABX-107.5FM and WLFW-93.5 (also known as "The Wolf"). South Central also has two stations in Nashville, Tennessee, and three stations in Knoxville, Tennessee. J.P. Engelbrecht, chief

executive officer at South Central, said radio station WEJK-107.1FM (also known as "Jack FM") was not included in the sale because of FCC ownership rules about how many stations an operator can own in a single market. Engelbrecht said he is looking

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# Council to have closed session

■ Meeting's legality debated

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Evansville City Councilwoman Stephanie Brinkerhoff-Riley could be stripped of her role as council vice president during a council meeting at noon Thursday that's been advertised as an closed executive session. It's to be followed by an open special session.

However, the executive session's legality is being questioned by a media law attorney, and Indiana Public Access Counselor Luke Britt said the open meetings statute being used by City Council is open to interpretation.

The state law being cited by the council allows such a meeting "with

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# Maya Angelou dies at 86



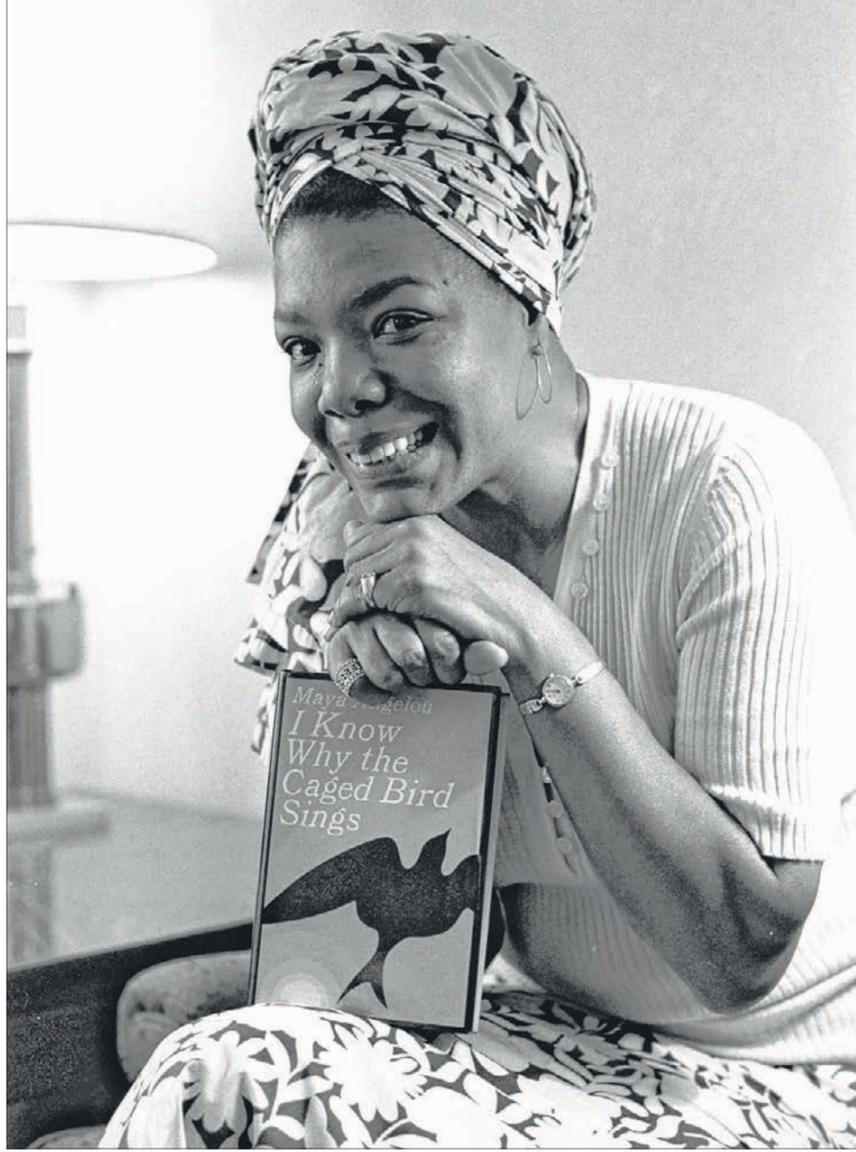
PAUL MORIGI/AP IMAGES FOR NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

**April 5, 2014:** Cicely Tyson, Maya Angelou and Oprah Winfrey pose for a photo backstage at Angelou's portrait unveiling at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery in Washington.



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**Feb. 15, 2011:** President Barack Obama kisses author and poet Maya Angelou after awarding her the 2010 Presidential Medal of Freedom.



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**Nov. 3, 1971:** Maya Angelou poses with a copy of her book, "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," in Los Angeles. Angelou, a Renaissance woman and cultural pioneer, has died at age 86.

# Writer, actor, dancer left indelible mark

By Hillel Italie  
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NEW YORK — Maya Angelou, a modern Renaissance woman who survived the harshest of childhoods to become a force on stage, screen, the printed page and the inaugural dais,

died Wednesday, her son said. She was 86.

Angelou's son, Guy B. Johnson, said the writer died at her home in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where she had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University since 1982.

Tall and regal, with a deep, majestic voice, Angelou defied all probability and category, becoming one of the first black women to enjoy mainstream success as an author and thriving in virtually every artistic medium. The young single mother who

worked at strip clubs to earn a living later wrote and recited the most popular presidential inaugural poem in history. The childhood victim of rape wrote a million-selling memoir, befriended Malcolm X, Nelson Mandela and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., and performed on stages around the world.

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# Evansville students excel at spelling

■ But don't go to semifinals

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Vanessa Jodlowski, 13, admitted she was nervous Wednesday standing on the large stage at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland, for the 2014 Scripps National Spelling Bee with everyone in the crowded room staring at her.

"It's really nerve wracking to have all the lights in your face," Jodlowski said.

But that didn't stop the Evansville representative from correctly spelling

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